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California Receives \$291 Million in Homeland Security Grants

SACRAMENTO – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) today announced its FY '10 grant awards, giving California more than \$291 million in total funding from various competitive grant programs, an increase of almost \$7 million from last year. All of the state's major urban areas will also see an increase in funding. This year's inclusion of Bakersfield to the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) program gives California a total of eight UASI areas.

"This is great news for California, and I am extremely pleased to see this increase in funding, especially for our major urban areas," said Secretary Matthew Bettenhausen of the California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA). "This funding is critical, especially during these challenging budget times, in allowing us to continue the work we're doing at the state level in conjunction with our local partners to make Californians safer and more secure."

DHS announced seven major grant programs today include the following:

- **The State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)**, which is allocated to every county in California;
- **The Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)**, which targets high-risk urban areas;
- **Operation Stonegarden**, which supports State and local law enforcement along the border;
- **Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) Program**, designed to improve regional mass casualty incident preparedness and response capabilities;
- **Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP)**, given directly to tribal applicants to implement preparedness initiatives to guard against risks from terrorism and other hazards;
- **Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)**, to support target-hardening activities at non-profit organizations within UASI areas that are at high risk of a terrorist attack;
- **Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP)**, to enhance preparedness for catastrophic incidents in selected high-risk urban areas.

Grant funding from these and other programs announced today can be used for equipment, training, exercises, planning, citizen preparedness and critical infrastructure protection projects.

California's allocation from the SHSP grant is \$107.5 million, roughly 13 percent of the national total. The total is more than \$1 million more than last year's allocation. The California Emergency Management Agency distributes 80 percent of this funding to local jurisdictions for homeland security improvements. The remaining 20 percent is used to support statewide projects and State agency initiatives.

The following eight California urban areas are part of the UASI grant program: Bay Area (including San Francisco, Oakland and San Jose), Los Angeles-Long Beach, Anaheim-Santa Ana, San Diego, Sacramento, Riverside-Ontario-San Bernardino, Oxnard, and included this year for the first time Bakersfield. All are

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receiving more money than last year. Total UASI funding for California is \$154.5 million, an increase of almost \$5 million from FY '09. The UASI award and totals are:

- **The San Francisco Bay Area:** \$42.8 million, compared to \$40.6 in FY '09.
- **The Riverside-Ontario-San Bernardino Area:** \$5.3 million, up slightly from FY '09.
- **The Los Angeles-Long Beach Area:** \$69.9 million, compared to \$68.3 million in 2009.
- **The San Diego Area:** \$16.2 million, up slightly from 2009.
- **The Santa Ana-Anaheim Area:** \$12.7 million, up slightly from 2009.
- **The Sacramento Area:** \$3.9 million, up slightly from 2009.
- **The Oxnard Area:** \$2.5 million, up slightly from FY '09.
- **The Bakersfield Area:** \$1 million for FY '10 (newly designated UASI).

"California faces many risks, so I'm glad to see the increase in funding," said Bettenhausen. "We at Cal EMA will continue to push for the appropriate funding levels to meet all our homeland security and emergency preparedness needs and will make sure the money is spent wisely."

More than \$5.7 million will go to the Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS), which helps prepare the private and public medical services to prepare for disasters. Funding will be slightly less in FY '10 for the Citizen Corp Program (CCP) at \$986,000, which is designed to improve citizen preparedness efforts.

Funding for the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP) is set at just more than \$1 million, divided as such:

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| • Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians: | \$628, 678 |
| • Blue Lake Rancheria: | \$30,081 |
| • Fort Mojave Indian Tribe of Arizona, California, and Nevada: | \$115,500 |
| • San Manuel Band of Mission Indians: | \$488,657 |
| • Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation: | \$107,000 |
| • Yurok Tribe: | \$84,647 |

California will receive more than \$3.3 million in the UASI Nonprofit Security Grant Program as follows:

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| • Anaheim/Santa Ana | \$150,000 |
| • Bay Area | \$691,357 |
| • Los Angeles/Long Beach | \$2,132,311 |
| • Riverside Area | \$75,000 |
| • Sacramento Area | \$75,000 |
| • San Diego Area | \$225,000 |

For further information regarding the grants and about the California Emergency Management Agency, please visit our website, www.calema.ca.gov.